(b) and (c) The Press has not been printing Text Books since long at State Government has not been entrusting printing of Text Bookis to the Press. However, the Press has been utilized for other printing jobs. It has now been decided to transfer this Press to the State Government and in case the State Government do not accept, this Press would be closed.

Improvement of slums in Rajasthan

1219. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the funds provided to Rajasthan for improvement of slums in its major cities during the last three years;

(b) the amount of funds given to each district of the State;

(c) the details of the sanctioned schemes; and

(d) the details of achievements under such schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) The funds released to the State of Rajasthan during the last three years under National Slum Development Programmes (NSDP) for development of urban slums are given below:-

Sl.No.	Year	Amount released (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	1999-2000	1479.00
2.	2000-2001	376.50
3.	2001-2002	1479.00

(b) and (c) Slum Development being a State subject, implementation of NSDP rests with the State Governments, and they formulate specific plans, programmes and schemes for provision of basic amenities, community infrastructure and shelter upgradation etc. in various towns/ cities as per their priorities and make necessary provisions therefor.

District-wise data is not maintained since, Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation monitors the implementation of the programme at the State level only.

(d) As per the information received from the State Government of Rajasthan the cumulative achievements under NSDP so far are given below:-

No. of towns covered	No. of slum pockets covered	No. of persons benefited (in lakhs)
183	1730	6.21

Upgradation of Text Books Press at Bhubaneswar

1220. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set up a Text Books Press at Bhubaneswar;

(b) whether it is proposed to upgraded this to meet the current requirements and printing of text books; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Government has decided to transfer this Press to the State Government and if they do not accept the transfer, the Press would be closed.